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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, OPERATIONS:

Subject: Distribution of Captured German Documents

1. Attached memorandum from Intelligence Division, WDGS, subject as above is furnished for your information and comment or concurrence.

2. It is hoped that it will be acceptable to you. It was the best we could get out of them without making an issue requiring a settlement at top level, which is believed inadvisable at this time.

3. It is believed that if they live up to their stated plan of procedure, we shall gain more than we lose. The proposed preliminary segregation, translated synopsis and speedy transmission of documents of unusual military intelligence interest will save CIG considerable time, even though G-2 reserves the privilege of having first crack at such documents. Suggest we give this procedure a fair trial.


Captain, U. S. N.
Acting Chief, ICAPS

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Incl:

Copy Memo sa. Subj.,
dtd 23 May '47 fr. Ennis,
G-2, to DCI

Reference: Memo to Dir. Central Intelligence
from General Sibert dated 19 May '47

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE:

ATTN: ICAPS

SUBJECT: Disposition of Captured German Documents

In reference to a recent conference held with Colonel John B. Sherman, your office, relative to captured German documents, the following is the procedure which it is planned will be followed in the disposition of captured documents:

1. On 1 June 1947 the custody of captured documents will be transferred from the Intelligence Division, War Department to the Adjutant General.

2. With the exception of paragraph 3 below, all future shipments of captured documents from the European Theater will be sent to the Adjutant General.

3. Individual documents containing unusual intelligence of military interests will be forwarded to Intelligence Division, WDGS as follows:

a. Each document will be accompanied by two (2) copies of a synopsis in English, one copy of which will be forwarded immediately by the Intelligence Division to the Central Intelligence Group.

b. Only those documents of immediate operational interest will be retained by the Intelligence Division; all others will be forwarded to the Adjutant General. Those documents retained by Intelligence Division will be forwarded to The Adjutant General immediately upon completion of their exploitation.

c. Central Intelligence Group will be notified in event any individual document is desired for retention by the Intelligence Division for longer than seven (7) days.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE:

/s/ R. F. Ennis

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